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CELEBRATING FAMILIES AND DECLARING THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11,
2010, AS "NEW MEXICO FAMILY AND PARENT INVOLVEMENT DAY" IN
THE SENATE.

WHEREAS, families and parents are the first teachers of
young children, and they serve as support for their
children's future success; and

WHEREAS, according to a study conducted by the Harvard
family research project, parental involvement is associated
with higher student achievement outcomes; and

WHEREAS, parents advocate for their children's learning
and health by caring for them and nurturing them so as to
build upon their innate strengths; and

WHEREAS, the success of New Mexico's children depends
upon schools, health care providers, families and communities

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1 working together; and

2 WHEREAS, respect for the language, culture,
3 individuality and personal circumstances of families is vital
4 in engaging families as valued partners in efforts to promote
5 school success for children; and

6 WHEREAS, acknowledging the strengths, capabilities,
7 contributions and interests of all families and parents is
8 critical to creating family-friendly environments in which
9 children can grow and thrive;

10 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE
11 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that it celebrate New Mexico families and
12 declare Thursday, February 11, 2010, as "New Mexico Family and
13 Parent Involvement Day" in the senate.